

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
MISSOULA DIVISION

ALLIANCE FOR THE WILD
ROCKIES, NATIVE ECOSYSTEMS
COUNCIL; YELLOWSTONE TO
UINTAS CONNECTION; FRIENDS
OF THE BITTERROOT; and
WILDEARTH GUARDIANS,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

TOM VILSACK, in his official
capacity as Secretary of the
Department of Agriculture; RANDY
MOORE, in his official capacity as
Chief of the Forest Service;
MATTHEW ANDERSON, in his
official capacity as the Bitterroot
National Forest Supervisor; DAN
PLILEY, in his official capacity as the
West Fork District Ranger; UNITED
STATES FOREST SERVICE; and
UNITED STATES FISH AND
WILDLIFE SERVICE,

Defendants.

CV 24–10–M–DLC–KLD

ORDER

The parties have filed a Joint Motion to Lift Stay of Deadlines/Modify the Case Management Order. (Doc. 44). Although the parties have stipulated to dispensing with Local Rule 56.1's requirement for each party to file separate

statements of facts along with their briefs, the Court will not dispense with this requirement. Because the parties will be required to file statements of fact, the Court adjusts the briefing word limits proposed by the parties as set forth below.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the Parties' Joint Motion is GRANTED, the stay of deadlines in the Case Management Order ordered on May 28, 2024 (Doc. 31), is lifted and the Case Management Order is modified as follows:

Federal Defendants' and Intervenor-Defendants' Responsive Pleadings to Amended Complaint	October 7, 2024
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Federal Defendants lodge any supplement to the Administrative Record	October 23, 2024
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Deadline for motion to challenge any supplement to the Administrative Record ¹	November 6, 2024
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Plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment (6,500 words)	December 13, 2024
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Federal Defendants' combined cross-motion for summary judgment and response to Plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment (6,500 words)	January 24, 2025
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¹ This deadline applies only to a record motion challenging any supplementation of the Administrative Record because the May 24, 2024, deadline for challenging the previously lodged Administrative Record passed before the remaining deadlines were stayed. *See* (Doc. 16).

Intervenor-Defendants' combined cross motions for summary judgment and response to Plaintiffs' motion (6,500 words if a joint brief; 3,250 each if separate briefs)

January 24, 2025

Plaintiffs' combined responses to Defendants' cross-motions for summary judgment and reply in support of their motion for summary judgment (6,500 words)

February 21, 2025

Federal Defendants' Reply in support of their cross-motion for summary judgment (3,500 words)

March 21, 2025

Intervenor-Defendants' Reply in support of their cross-motion for summary judgement (3,250 words if joint brief; 1,625 each if separate briefs)

March 21, 2025

DATED this 30th day of September, 2024.



Kathleen L. DeSoto
United States Magistrate Judge